House Bill No. 5610

House of Representatives, March 19, 1998. The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through REP. EBERLE, 15th DIST., Chairman of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING TELEVISION COVERAGE OF LEGISLATIVE PROCESS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened: The Joint Committee on Legislative Management 2 shall, within available appropriations, make good

3 faith efforts to provide for community access 4 programming of the legislative process.

5 efforts may include the installation of cameras 6 and related equipment in the capitol and the 7 legislative office building to provide for

8 television coverage of legislative business.

9 ET COMMITTEE VOTE: YEA 16 NAY 0 JF

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER HB 5610

STATE IMPACT None, see explanation below

MUNICIPAL IMPACT None

STATE AGENCY(S) Legislative Management

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

There would be no cost to Legislative Management as a result of the passage of this bill. This level of television coverage would have to be provided within available appropriations.

Legislative Management would not be able to provide the level of television coverage specified in this bill. The installation of television cameras and related equipment in the Legislative Office Building and the Capitol would not be completed.

At the present time, a television contract is in place that will provide selected videotaping of the 1998 legislative session. The cost of this contract includes \$35,000 for videotaping and editing. An amount of \$13,500 would be paid for tape duplicating, marketing and distributing.

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OLR BILL ANALYSIS

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